



# BIOGRAPHY

**UNITED STATES AIR FORCE**

## COLONEL STEVEN J. BERRYHILL



Colonel Steven J. Berryhill is 117<sup>th</sup> Air Refueling Wing Commander, Alabama Air National Guard, Birmingham, Alabama.

The Wing trains and equips combat ready aircrews and support personnel to provide worldwide aerial refueling and airlift missions.

Colonel Berryhill began his career with a commission as a Second Lieutenant in the USAF through AFROTC. He entered Undergraduate Pilot Training in October 1980 at Vance AFB, OK. Colonel Berryhill joined the Alabama Air National Guard, Birmingham, Ala., in 1996 and was assigned to the 117<sup>th</sup> Operations Group as a Evaluator Pilot flying the KC-135R.

Prior to his current position, Colonel Berryhill was Operations Group Commander for the 117<sup>th</sup> Air Refueling Wing, Alabama Air National Guard, Birmingham, AL.

### **EDUCATION:**

- 1982 Bachelor of Science degree in Energy Resource Management, Lamar University, Beaumont, Texas
- 1985 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
- 1990 Masters Degree in Aero Science Technology, Embry Riddle Aeronautical University, Castle AFB, Calif.
- 1995 Air Command Staff College, Non Resident Program
- 1999 Air War College, Non Resident Program.

### **ASSIGNMENTS:**

1. Oct 1980 – Oct 1981, student pilot, Class 8201, Vance AFB, OK.
2. Mar 1981 – Aug 1988, KC-135A Pilot, 379<sup>th</sup> Bomb Wing (SAC), Wurtsmith AFB, MI.
3. Aug 1988 – Aug 1993, KC-135A/R Instructor Pilot, 93<sup>rd</sup> Bomb Wing (SAC), Castle AFB, CA.
4. Aug 1993 - Apr 1996, Director, KC-135 SATAF, 97<sup>th</sup> Air Mobility Wing (AMC), Altus AFB, OK.
5. Apr 1996 – Jul 2001, Evaluator Pilot, 117<sup>th</sup> Operation Group (AL ANG), Birmingham, AL.
6. Jul 2001 - Jan 2006, Commander, 106<sup>th</sup> Air Refueling Squadron (AL ANG), Birmingham, AL
7. Jan 2006 – June 2008, Commander, 117<sup>th</sup> Operations Group (AL ANG), Birmingham, AL.
8. June 2008 - Wing Commander, 117<sup>th</sup> Air Refueling Wing (AL ANG), Birmingham, AL.

## **FLIGHT INFORMATION:**

Rating: Command Pilot  
Flight Hours: More than 7,000  
Aircraft T-37, T-38, KC-135A, KC-135R

## **MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:**

Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters  
Air Medal with four oak leaf clusters  
Aerial Achievement Medal  
Air Force Commendation Medal with one oak leaf cluster  
Joint Service Achievement Medal  
Air Force Achievement Medal  
Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with three oak leaf clusters  
Combat Readiness Medal with 6 oak leaf clusters  
National Defense Service Medal with one bronze star  
Kosovo Campaign Medal  
Global War On Terrorism Expeditionary Medal  
Global War On Terrorism Service Medal  
Armed Forces Service Medal  
Humanitarian Service Medal  
Armed Forces Reserve Medal with two 'M' devices  
Small Arms Marksmanship Ribbon with one bronze star  
Air Force Training Ribbon

## **EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:**

Second Lieutenant	May 10, 1980
First Lieutenant	Oct 29, 1982
Captain	Oct 29, 1984
Major	Jan 1, 1993
Lieutenant Colonel	Dec 8, 1994
Colonel	Dec 27, 2005